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New college fad will

LETTING IT ALL HANG OUT! Mature adults around the country are trying to reclaim their youth.

By JULIUS CHARNEAU
Weekly World News

BOSTON — Middle-aged college professors are flapping a lot more than their lips at faculty meetings these days. They're tossing away their inhibitions and running around campus — buck naked!

"It ain't pretty," said a 19-year-old cheerleader at a Boston university, who asked not to be identified. "Those streakers — I think that's what you call them — could be my

curl your hair!

NAKED PROFS. STREAKING ACROSS CAMPUSES!

PSYCHOLOGIST
Dr. Rolf Neidenfurer.

was first called in the early 1970s — is the latest fad to sprint across college campuses. But today's fad has a twist to its bellbottom-less predecessor of yesteryear — all the participants are more than 45 years old!

Instead of virile young students dropping their hip-huggers and loping naked in public, alumni and professors at various colleges and universities — many of whom probably streaked as students and lumbering bare-bottomed past the ivy-covered halls of academia.

"They're obviously attempting to reclaim their youth," said renowned New York psychologist Dr. Rolf Z. Neidenfurer.

"I think it's actually quite healthy," he said, "leaving societal conventions in a pile by a tree and dashing carefree through the grass. It's truly liberating — and I applaud it."

But many students couldn't

player at a western Massachusetts university. "That doctor doesn't know what he's talking about. He hasn't witnessed it up close and personal. Seeing the human body in that condition is never pleasant. He doesn't realize we're comparing grapes to raisins here!"

Others can't figure out what these "silver streakers," as they've been labeled, are trying to prove.

"It's pretty sad," said a Min-

watching ignored them. They didn't even generate a laugh."

Like many streaks of yesteryear, today's runs are communal. Reports estimate the typical streak includes 20 or more people.

A Maryland geology professor summed it up with a grin, after about 75 of his stripped-down colleagues dashed past his classroom:

"I found it useful in my lecture on the effects of gravity.

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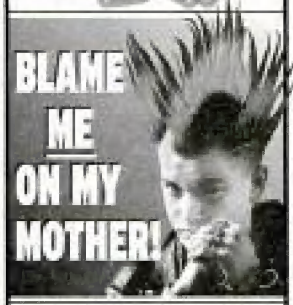

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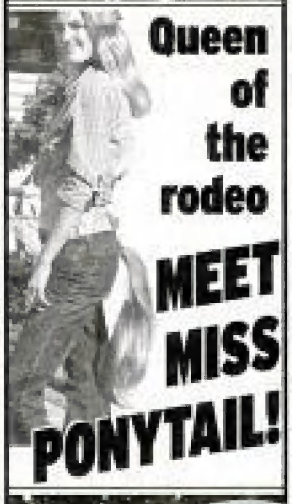

Queen of the rodeo MEET MISS PONYTAIL!

SPACE ALIEN

Kitty litter box is portal to another dimension!

DES MOINES, Iowa — A leading paranormal researcher claims to have found the portal to another dimension — in a kitty litter box!

By MATT BETT
Weekly World News

Not only that, Dr. Steve Stankiel says he used the box to travel into a strange world-where yellow rivers flow into orange seas — and the air is filled with floating flowers and musical notes that look like gems.

"Some people think I'm crazy, but as God is my witness, it's true," Dr. Stankiel says in a report to the respected paranormal news journal, *Above and Beyond*.

"Needless to say, this is a scientific discovery of the first magnitude. In a sense, this is the equivalent of Christopher Columbus discovering America and America's 1969 moon landing rolled into one."

Dr. Stankiel declined to say where he obtained the litter box other than to say "a friend of a friend knew the owner, who telephoned me last fall."

"At first," said the expert, "I thought the woman was crazy. But she insisted that I examine the box — and I knew something was special about it from the instant I saw it.

"The litter turned bright orange and then began to smoke, all of its own accord. There was a moment of intense cold, then delightful warmth.

"When I opened my eyes, I wasn't on Earth anymore. There were humanoids all around me — shorter and pudgier than humans. They didn't talk.

"They just stared at each other, then nodded in understanding. In the distance I could see rivers as yellow as gold. I saw orange seas and red mountain ranges.

"Flowers floated in the air and there was music you actually could see. The notes looked like garnets and sapphires and other gems."

Stankiel says he "was forced" to return from his trip sooner than he wanted "by an unseen force."

"I was flying," he recalls excitedly. "I closed my eyes because I was moving so fast. After a few seconds, I felt one more shock of freezing cold, then emerged — on the floor, beside the kitty litter box."

PARANORMAL expert Dr. Steve Stankiel hopes to travel through the portal again.

Stankiel has tried on several other occasions to go through the portal but to date, he has only experienced the heat and cold that preceeded his last trip — but he has not made it through the portal.

"Don't ask me why, but I know I will visit that world again," he said. "And when I do, I'm not coming back until I know who the inhabitants are — and how we can maintain contact."

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PAGE 5 GIRL!

Shapely Erica Nemeth is only 24 but already has her own line of cosmetics, which she has put to good use in her work as both a professional makeup artist and fitness model. Erica tells us she loves fish, coffee and hayrides.

FOR MEN & WOMEN

How to land a date — with a perfect stranger

By VICKIE YORK/*Weekly World News*

If you're a guy:

The best way to introduce yourself to a gorgeous gal is with a compliment. But the wrong one can put the kibosh on your plans for a hot date.

Here, from relationship experts, are some ways to sincerely flatter a woman:

1. Compliment her on her actions, not just her God-given looks. If she dances well, for example, say, "You're remarkably graceful," not "Shake it some more, baby!"

2. Approach her in an open, friendly manner — no hands in the pockets or crossed arms. And don't smirk — your praise could be mistaken for sarcasm.

3. Notice her intellectual qualities. For instance, if she makes an interesting comment during a conversation, nod thoughtfully and say, "That was very perceptive."

4. Compliment her on her hairstyle or clothing, particularly her shoes. You can ask a female friend for fashion guidance.

5. Always look her in the eyes as you deliver a compliment. If your eyes drift below the neckline, you're history!

6. Be creative. Notice something less obvious, like the unusual mole on her neck. She'll be flattered by your effort.

7. Mention things that spark conversation. For example: "Great hiking boots. Do you like camping?"

8. Avoid backhanded compliments. You won't get far with lines like "You have a really pretty face — if you lost about 15 pounds, you'd be a real knockout."

9. Never get physical. Admiring her pretty necklace should not enable you to "accidentally" brush one of her breasts.

10. Don't lay it on too thick. If that pretty blonde at the karaoke bar can't carry a tune, don't gush, "You look like Britney Spears — and you sound even better."

If you're a gal:

Relationship experts say any woman can land a first date with a new man if she simply uses flattery to engage him in conversation.

Here are some remarks that never fail with men:

1. "I can tell you're an athlete. What team do you play for?" Men love the idea that you think they're strong and manly. Even a guy who's built like Dan Knotts will believe you really think he's a pro athlete.

2. "I've been watching you. You're a great dancer!" This will endear you to him. Most men think they look stupid when they dance.

3. "Wow, how often do you work out?" Accompany this with a squeeze of the biceps. Remember, while men pawing strange women is a no-no, the reverse doesn't apply.

4. "Ha, ha, ha! That's hilarious. You've got a great sense of humor." Laughing at a man's jokes is the way to his heart — it shows that you and he are on the same wavelength. If your would-be date makes a flippant remark to the cashier at the supermarket, for example, don't miss the opportunity to chime in with a chuckle.

5. "Can you show me how this works?" Showing a man you think he's smart strokes his ego — and appeals to his protective side. Try it at a hardware store.

6. "You look just like that movie star. You know, what's his name?" Most men secretly believe they look like some star. They're delighted when someone else "finally" notices.

7. "That's a beautiful shirt — you have really good taste." Many men feel insecure when it comes to fashion. If you validate his choices, you'll get in good with him.

8. "You smell really terrific — what cologne is that?" This one gives you an excuse to step in close to the guy — so that he can smell YOUR sexy fragrance.

9. "Nice butt!" You might be taken aback if a guy tried this line on you, but don't worry — men love to be thought of as sex objects.

10. Don't forget about body language — you can show a man you're interested with gestures better than with words. When delivering a compliment, never cross your arms or look

EXPERTS' WA

2ND GREAT ...IS JUST

WASHINGTON — Forget those rosy predictions you've heard from pundits that better times are just around the corner and America is about to pull out of the recession.

The truth is we're just weeks away from a full-blown Second Great Depression — far worse than the one that struck in 1929, badly shaken Treasury Department insiders warn.

"President Bush has been trying not to talk the economy down and to give people the idea that things are looking up — but what he, his Cabinet and everyone who's crunched the numbers know is that a total collapse of the U.S. economy is imminent," confirmed a Treasury Department insider who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

By BRETT ANNISTON/*Weekly World News*

"What you saw happen to Enron and then Kmart is just the tip of the iceberg," he said.

"Huge corporations that have always seemed rock-solid are going to come tumbling down one after another like dominos; pension funds are going to suddenly evaporate, unemployment rates are expected to soar as high as 85 percent and tens of millions of people are going to find themselves out on the street, homeless and hungry.

"The projections that we've been looking at show a 50-year depression that just gets deeper and deeper. Our economy will be like a dinosaur sinking in quicksand."

While America has bounced back from past cyclical recessions, "all the conditions are ripe" for a catastrophic economic implosion that will send most stocks plummeting in value to the 5- to 7-cent range and leave the country in an extended, almost Dark Age-like paralysis, administration analysis have determined.

"The terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center destabilized the world economy far more profoundly than most people realize," the Treasury source said.

"The record surpluses we were forecasting are shot to hell — every penny will be eaten up on Defense spending. The country is again billions of dollars in the red, draining every dime of available credit from the economy and starving businesses."

What's more, as the Enron fiasco shows, the American economy is no longer fundamentally sound, as it was back

COLLAPSE of Enron and bankruptcy of Kmart mean only one thing: Economic disaster looms for us all!

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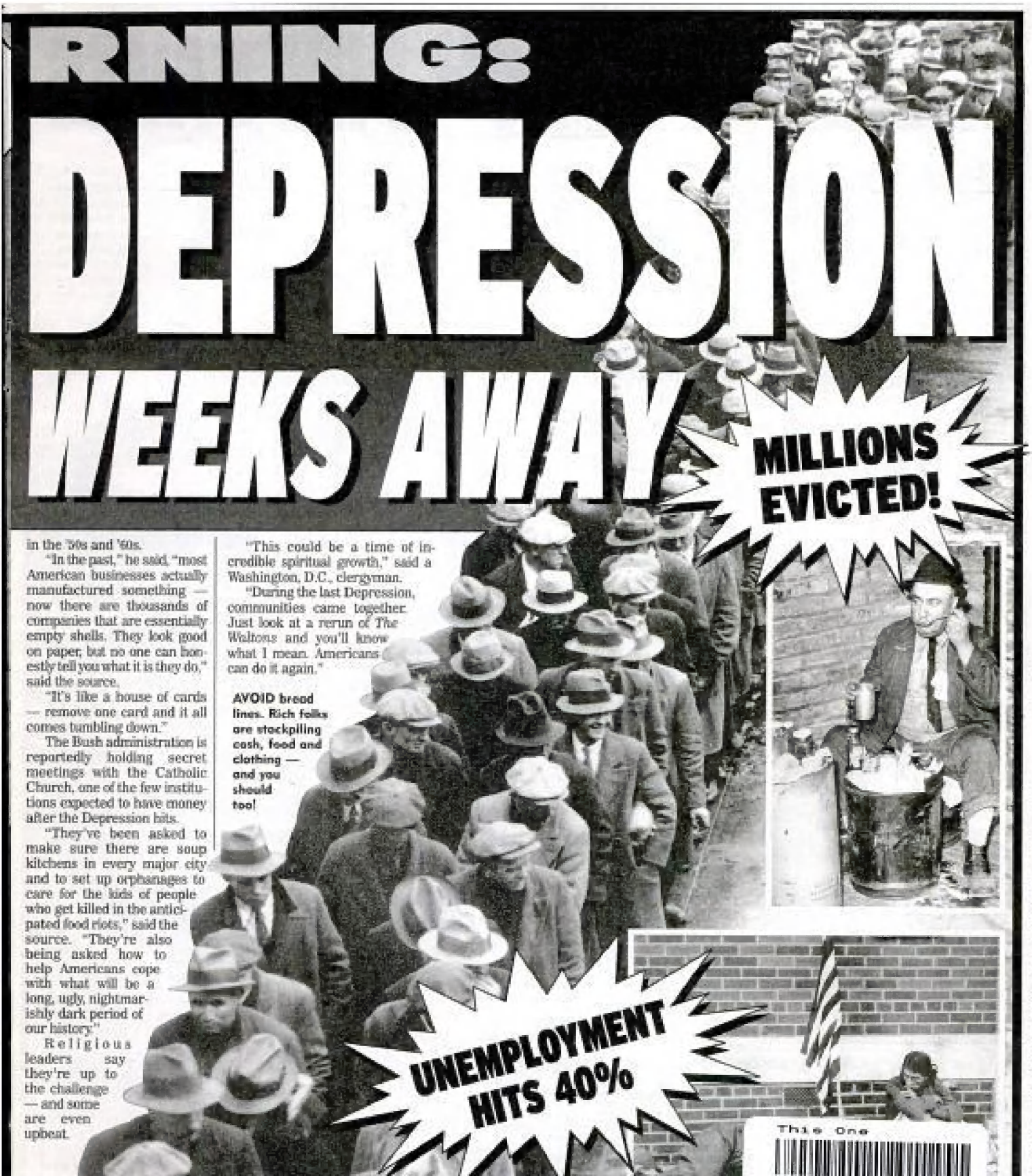

in the '50s and '60s.

"In the past," he said, "most American businesses actually manufactured something — now there are thousands of companies that are essentially empty shells. They look good on paper, but no one can honestly tell you what it is they do," said the source.

"It's like a house of cards — remove one card and it all comes tumbling down."

The Bush administration is reportedly holding secret meetings with the Catholic Church, one of the few institutions expected to have money after the Depression hits.

"They've been asked to make sure there are soup kitchens in every major city and to set up orphanages to care for the kids of people who get killed in the anticipated food riots," said the source. "They're also being asked how to help Americans cope with what will be a long, ugly, nightmarishly dark period of our history."

Religious leaders say they're up to the challenge — and some are even upbeat.

"This could be a time of incredible spiritual growth," said a Washington, D.C., clergyman.

"During the last Depression, communities came together. Just look at a rerun of *The Waltons* and you'll know what I mean. Americans can do it again."

AVOID bread lines. Rich folks are stockpiling cash, food and clothing — and you should too!

TALKING FRENCH FRY SAVES WOMAN'S LIFE

By CHAD KULTGEN
Weekly World News

'It talked me out of suicide'

SPOKANE, Wash. — A grief-stricken widow was convinced not to go through with a suicidal death plunge — by a talking french fry!

Deborah Weintraub, a housewife, had learned her husband lost his life in a bizarre dough-machine mishap at the factory where he worked. The following day she found herself wandering the streets, deciding to end it all. Then she passed a fast-food restaurant.

"I can't really explain it," she says. "Maybe it was that my husband and I had met at a McDonald's. Anyway, I just went in."

Mrs. Weintraub purchased what she thought would be her final meal. She checked into a nearby hotel and savored each and every bite — except one.

"I know it must sound strange, but the last french fry seemed different to me. So I left it."

Mrs. Weintraub opened her third-floor window and crawled onto the ledge. Then she heard it.

"It was a voice saying, 'Don't jump. You still have a life to live.' When I looked back in the room I realized it was that french fry!

"He was standing up on his crispy end and he was talking to me — trying to save my life!"

After climbing back inside, she began talking with the fry. Five hours later, she says, she realized she was not alone in the world after all.

She named the fry Softy, and believes he is her guardian angel.

"Softy told me he'd be with me forever and I'd never feel sad again," she says.

SOFTY now has a favored place in Mrs. Weintraub's home — and heart.

DEBORAH WEINTRAUB says Softy the fry called out to her in her darkest hour, and showed her how much she has to live for.

Devil not welcome here, mayor says

INGLIS, Fla. — A small-town mayor made international headlines by forbidding Satan to set foot in her city!

Mayor Carolyn Risher issued a proclamation declaring that Satan "is not now, nor ever will be, a part of this town. Satan ruling over nor influencing our citizens."

Many folks are behind the mayor, but others hate the publicity.

"We're getting a lot of media attention lately, and it's made the town a dang laughingstock," said Town

What do you think?

Did a french fry really save Deborah Weintraub's life, or did she just imagine it? Tell us your thoughts.

☐ **YES! Miracles happen every day. It's touching that Softy reached out to her in her hour of need.**

☐ **NO! Maybe she thinks it happened, but there's no way a fried potato could have come to life.**

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By PAT WELLS/*Weekly World News*

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Incredibly, there's more. According to Dr. Donna Schwantkowski, author of the breakthrough book, *Herbs of the Amazon, Traditional and Common Uses*, Una de Gato — which means "cat's claw" in Spanish — is widely used to treat asthma, neuralgia, poor circulation, stomach pain and ulcers, leaky bowel syndrome, gastritis, hemorrhoids and infections of all kinds.

It is even said to stop colds and flu in their tracks — and is known as a powerful antioxidant that neutralizes cancer-causing "free radicals" in the body, possibly helping to stop or even reverse the ravages of aging.

AUTHOR Susan Ambrosino

"Rain forest herbs like Una de Gato clearly are among the purest and most powerful found in nature," declared Dr. Schwantkowski.

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"Beyond the shadow of any doubt, Una de Gato is the single most potent herb I have ever encountered," said Susan Ambrosino, author of *99 Folk Remedies You MUST Try, The Incredible Healing Power of Herbs* and the informative Web site, www.herbnews.org. "In my studies, I have heard hundreds — and I do mean hundreds — of cat's claw testimonials from men and women of all ages and from all walks of life. I am convinced this life-changing plant is the single most important herb to be found in nature to date."

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BEIJING — Chinese officials are still stewing over reports that Boeing sold their government an airplane full of hidden microphones — and now they're going buggy coming up with ways to eavesdrop on America's leaders, the CIA warns.

Among the products the Chinese intend to export with hidden bugs: Rubber sandals, underwear, stuffed animals, souvenir paperweights and baseball caps, intelligence sources say.

Afraid of bursting into flames? Don't eat beans!

BERLIN — Want to avoid being killed by spontaneous combustion? Don't eat beans with hot peppers, scientists say!

A German study of 2,300 victims of the mysterious phenomenon since 1960 found that 81 percent had a diet rich in the two foods.

"Neither food alone appears to create a risk factor, but the combination of gassiness produced by the beans and heat from the peppers can be dangerous to some people," says Dr. Henrik Durhman, who led the study. "They literally burst into flames and burn from the inside out."

Artist's work is a real boob job!

GENEVA — Swiss artist Anya Heimmel has reached the peak of her profession by painting exclusively with her breasts!

The innovative artist says the unique method really helps her get emotions off her chest.

"I've just found that, for me, it's the best way to express myself," perky Anya

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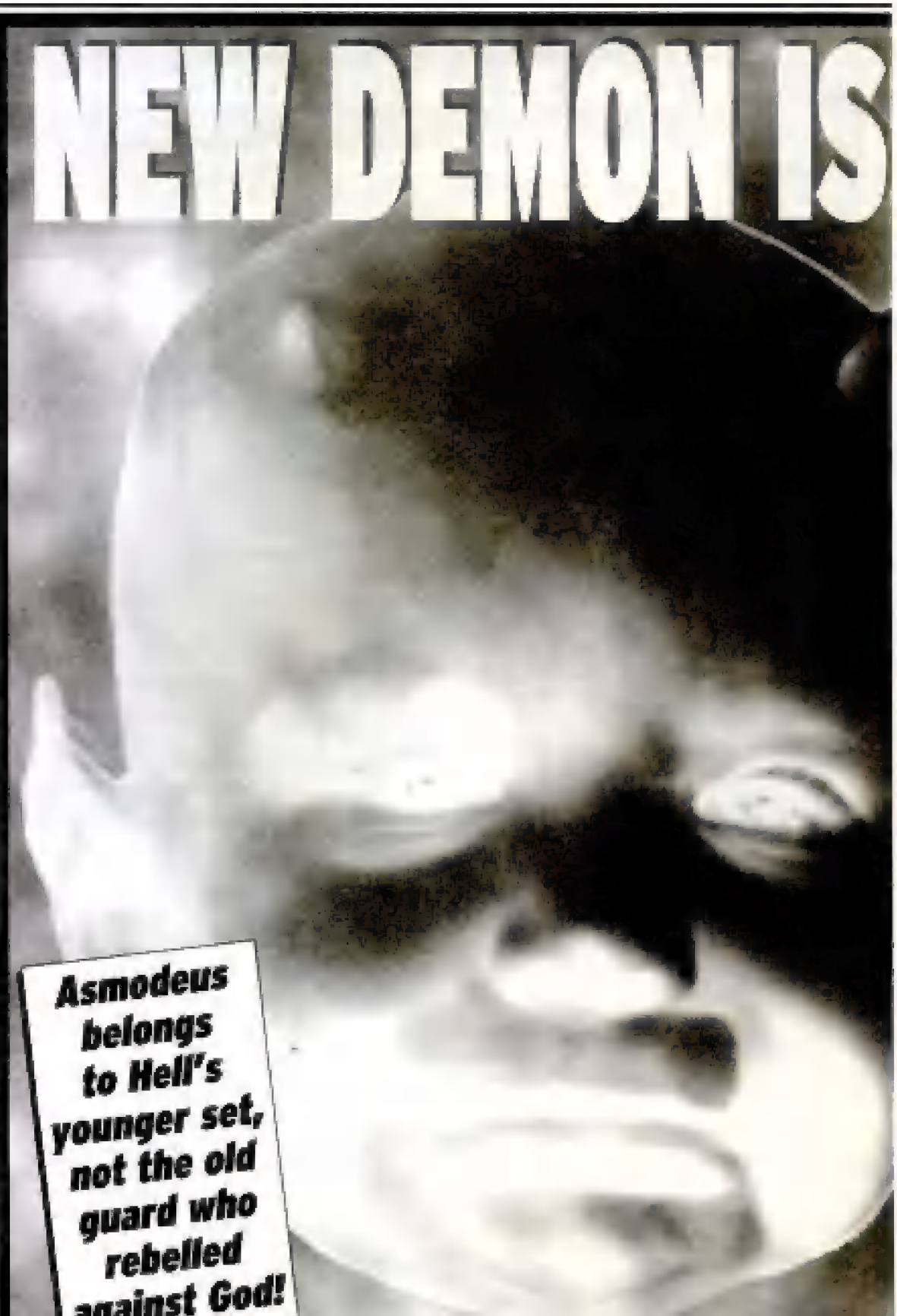

Asmodeus belongs to Hell's younger set, not the old guard who rebelled against God!

WORSE THAN SATAN

POPE JOHN PAUL prays for the survival of mankind.

. . . SECRET VATICAN REPORT WARNS!

BONN, Germany — If we ever get rid of Satan, we may be jumping from the frying pan into the fire. That's because an up and coming young demon is waiting in the wings to take over — and experts say he's even more evil than Lucifer!

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS EXCLUSIVE!

By VINCENZO SARDI

An eyes-only report prepared for the Pope by a panel of 12 top Vatican demonologists warns that the demon Asmodeus will be a far more vicious adversary than Hell's current ruler, and if he takes command, "Mankind's very survival may be imperiled. Asmodeus is Hell's 'mad dog' — he makes Satan look like a pussycat," says German theologian and exorcist Father Johan Lutke, who has seen a leaked copy of the report.

"Unlike Satan, he doesn't play by any rules and he doesn't take any prisoners. If Satan steps down or is ejected from power, Asmodeus is likely to unleash untold suffering on humanity. Legions of demonic entities will go on the rampage worldwide — and literally billions of souls will be forcibly dragged down into Hell."

Asmodeus, whose name comes from a Hebrew word meaning "Destroyer," is the demon of lust and also runs Hell's gambling operations. Referred to in the Talmud as the "Asmodeus first appears in the Book of Tobit, which describes how in a fit of jealousy he slew one husband after another of a young woman he fancied," says Fr. Lutke.

"The Talmud also describes how he boldly usurped the throne of King Solomon. He's a power-crazed monster — and he absolutely loathes humans."

Asmodeus belongs to Hell's younger set, not the old guard who rebelled against God.

"He is said to be the child of a fallen angel and a mortal woman," reveals Fr. Lutke. "Asmodeus has little patience for the 'old-fashioned' approach, this idea of trying to win over humans one by one over the centuries. He considers Satan 'an old fogey.'

"As the demon in charge of lust, Asmodeus has been using modern-day technology like Internet porn to corrupt millions of humans every hour — with frightening success."

According to several turncoat devil-worshipers debriefed by the Vatican panel last August, Asmodeus makes no secret of his ambitions to rule Hell one day soon.

Says Fr. Lutke, "He's told them, 'When I'm in charge, I will crush mankind like a bug.'"

Lovers-only elevator planned for Empire State Building!

NEW YORK CITY — So many hot-to-trot couples have tried to live out their fantasy of making love in an elevator in the Empire State Building that Big Apple honchos are reportedly planning to install a "lovers-only" elevator!

"This will make the building a bigger tourist attraction than ever," said an insider. "Couples will be able to get their naughty thrills without embarrassing other visitors."

UFOs COME IN BASIC & DELUXE TRIMS — LIKE CARS

WASHINGTON — A 44-year study by the U.S. Air Force reveals that UFO-manufacturers come out with new models every year — just like Ford, GM and Chrysler!

Every year since 1951, when the secret study began, flying saucers have

"Just as cars made in the United States lost their tail-fins over the years and took on other ornaments, alien saucers have gone through a similar transformation that appears to have nothing to

windows change, features such as sunroofs and whitewall tires or landing gear come and go.

"It appears that, just as with humans, aliens get bored with 'old-fashioned'

Taking the high road!

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MC. 301-013 Retired nurse, 53, Native-American, very nice, financially secure with good income seeking retired gentleman, 40-53 who is loving, caring, financially secure homeowner.

IN. 301-014 Attractive SWF, 48, never married, blue-eyed blonde, 5'3", 130 lbs. Seeks attractive SWM never married, financially secure, non-smoker for marriage. Please photo, phone.

FL. 301-015 Single female, 40 years, 5'4", dark hair-eyes, hourglass figure, non-smoker-drinker, has class, nonsex disposition. Would like to write to man who owns home in country, outside of city, or Arizona.

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PA. 301-017 Corrections institute inmate. Attractive, intelligent, sexy, BSF wishes to correspond with man, 40 or older. Must be financially stable, honest. Any race.

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MEN

IA. 300-998 Promising SBM, 44, employed

USA 301-010 45, White male who's seeking petite Filipina, or foreign lady, 18-35, from USA. I'm loving, caring. Looking for lady to relocate who's marriage-minded. Love forever. Picture.

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Pig-licking teens getting high on the hog

By MIKE FOSTER
Weekly World News

Kids will do anything for a cheap thrill!

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Young folks are going hog wild over the latest teen fad to sweep rural America — licking hallucinogenic pigs!

Some varieties of pigs excrete an LSD-like substance through their skin, experts say — and savvy rural youths have been taking advantage of this little-known fact to get a cheap high.

Known as "pigging out" or "hog-licking," the fad began in North Carolina and has spread throughout much of the South and Midwest, experts say.

"Wherever there are pig farms, it's happening," confirmed a North Carolina state trooper. "Kids are sneaking into hog farms at night and licking these animals, and then they go into kind of a trance. They lose their inhibitions — and eventually, all sense of reality.

"We've been arresting these hog-licking kids for a variety of crimes," the trooper said, "vandalism, criminal mischief, indecent exposure, even arson.

"This is a menace to America's young people," he said. "Not to mention it's humiliating for the pig."

New York sewers are running out of alligators

...and scientists want to save 'em!

NEW YORK — The New York sewer system is rapidly running out of alligators, warn environmentalists — who have launched an all-out campaign to save the critters!

"Pollution is destroying their habitat — they're an endangered species," says Carrie Gishman, chairwoman of the Save the Sewer Gators Coalition.

Carrie Gishman

"Studies show an alarming drop in the alligator population, from an estimated high of 15,000 in 1971 to fewer than 600 today," Ms. Gishman said.

Scientists say that from the vacations in Florida brought back cute, cuddly baby alligators as souvenirs — then flushed them down the toilet when the reptiles grew bigger and started snapping. Those that survived breed in the bowels of the vast sewer system.

Although it's often been erroneously dismissed as an urban legend, sewer inspectors confirmed the existence of the hardy

says Ms. Gishman. "They feed chiefly on rats, helping to control the city's rodent population and maintain the ecosystem balance."

A major obstacle confronting the activists is that New York officials, concerned about tourism, refuse to publicly acknowledge the endangered alligators even exist.

"If they continue to ignore this crisis, in a few years there won't be a single alligator left in the New

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IT'S OFFICIAL! 47 million Americans have beer-belly disease

ATLANTA — Now you've got an excuse for that beer belly of yours — according to the Centers for Disease Control, big bellies are a disease!

At least 47 million Americans suffer from "metabolic syndrome," the CDC said in the January 2002 issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

The syndrome includes a big belly, high blood pressure, hazardous cholesterol levels and high blood sugar.

Dr. Earl Ford, who led the CDC study, said overeating and lack of exercise are top causes of the disease.

Hotel guests leave behind the wackiest things!

WELLINGTON, New Zealand — A monkey suit and a wooden leg are just a sampling of the bizarre items left behind by American hotel guests, according to an annual survey by a hotel chain.

Other abandoned oddities include fur-covered handcuffs, buckets of sand, fake chest hair, a Darth Vader mask, an X-ray machine and a full-sized pizza oven.

The survey also discovered that women are messier, noisier guests and stingier tippers than men.

Men, on the other hand, are more likely to lose their room keys and to get locked out of their room naked.

Trendy bistros serve up dogs — as escorts!

SEOUL, South Korea — Restaurants are renting out dogs so customers can enjoy a meal with a pet at their side.

One such "dog cafe" invites diners to choose from 15 different breeds kept in a pen in the center of the room, including cute little Chihuahuas, Boston terriers and Dachshund "weiner dogs."

My America

BY ED ANGER

FEDS SPEND $8,000 TO COVER SEXY STATUES

Thelma Jean could've done it for $22.37, says Ed!

I'm madder than a nudist at a fashion show at what the bozos at the Justice Department are doing! They're spending $8,000 of our tax money on blue curtains to cover up two giant half-naked girl and boy aluminum statues!

Why? Because John Ashcroft gets more excited than Bill Clinton with a box of Cuban cigars and a new intern every time he sees 'em!

The guy statue has some kind of fancy toga-towel thing around his waist already and looks like those pumped-up yahoos I see advertising overpriced weight machines on TV.

The girl statue only has one ta-ta hanging out — and she's built like Janet Reno on steroids. I've seen better than that when I've accidentally flipped through MTV on my way to the Fishing & Chainsaw Channel.

Eight grand on curtains! Thelma Jean only spent $22.37 to sew up my old boxers and make 'em into perfectly good couch covers!

There's plenty of cover ups already going on in this country without spending big bucks to cover up a couple of bronze centerfolds.

If we're going to throw away perfectly good money to redo public statues, I've got a better idea. Let's sandblast the warts off Lincoln's face on the Lincoln Memorial and Mount Rushmore.

Those are uglier and bigger than my old hippie daughter-in-law's VW bug!

And if the prudes have to cover something up, why don't they start with this statue of George Washington in a TOGA that Thelma Jean and I saw in the Capitol Rotunda when we went to D.C. for the Bicentennial in 1976.

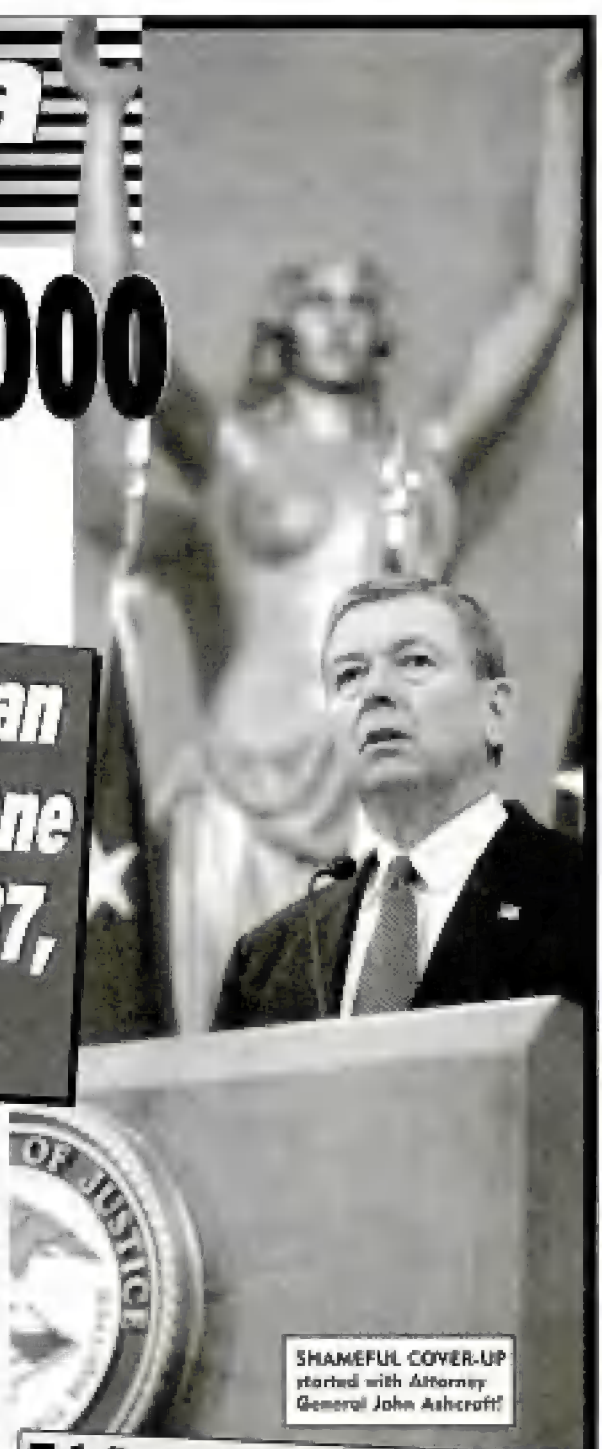
Hell, George Washington wasn't any limp-wristed, pansy Roman emperor! He was a real man and deserves to be dressed like one!

We could save plenty of tax money by having Thelma Jean take our son Jimbo's old pilgrim costume from his grammar school play and let it out some.

That's a dandy idea that suits me just fine!

Ed Anger

LET'S BLAST Lincoln's warts off Mount Rushmore!



SHAMEFUL COVER-UP started with Attorney General John Ashcroft!

Ed Anger's Curtain Poll

Do you agree with Ed Anger that spending thousands of dollars to cover up two half-nude statues is a waste of taxpayers' money?

☐ YES! Attorney General John Ashcroft is a prude who is blowing my tax dollars to dress up some stupid statues.

☐ NO! The sky's the limit! In fact, let's throw even more public bucks at some wimpy foreign fashion designers to make custom outfits for every public statue in America.

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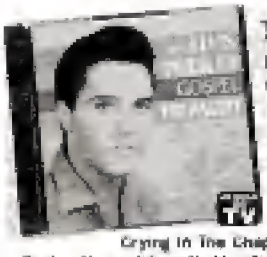

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Rodeo queen has a little something extra!

By MICHAEL FORSYTH/*Weekly World News*

DALLAS — Drop-dead-gorgeous Lizette Coursant has a perfect body — except for the horse-like tail that juts from her shapely rear end!

And far from being ashamed of the derriere deformity, lovely Lizette is proud as a prize mare of her extra extremity and performs on the rodeo circuit as Miss Ponytail!

"My tail is real cute and anyone who thinks different is, well, just a horse's patootie," the tail-twitching Texan declares.

Lizette performs in a cowboy hat and boots, wearing tight jeans with a hole cut to make room for the one-of-a-kind 32-inch tail. While she does rope tricks and bull-riding, what really wows the audience is what she does with her wonderful wagger.

"People laugh and applaud when she uses her tail to swat off flies that land on her behind, just like a real horse," said a rodeo clown named Hank who works with Lizette.

"Kids love it when she invites them down out of the stands and lets them yank on her tail. Even little ones think it's fake until they pull real hard and it doesn't come off.

"A lot of gals would get mad if some kid pulled their tail, but Lizette gets a kick out of it. She even lets 'em climb on her back and runs around the ring for a spell, neighing."

Lizette was born with the tail, a birth defect that doctors call rare, but not unheard of.

"In the embryonic stage, every human child goes

PRETTY Lizette Coursant insists her ponytail is the real thing — she even shoos away flies by twitching it!

born with an inch or two of tail," explained a medical expert.

"Ordinarily, doctors cut it off, but Lizette's parents said they didn't want it done, apparently for religious reasons."

Surprisingly, Lizette says her amazing tail has never caused her problems.

"I was a tomboy growing up and on account of my tail, I could always get the boys to play with me. Whenever we played Lone Ranger and Tonto, I always got to be Silver."

Nowadays, the curvy cowgirl has no trouble getting dates — in fact macho rodeo cowhands

Give this man a hand — again!

LYON, France — A man who received, and then asked doctors to amputate, the world's first transplant hand has had a change of heart — and wants another one!

The bizarre drama began when Clint Hallam, 51, lost his right hand in a chain saw accident in 1985. Thirteen years later, in 1998, he got the transplant hand.

But caring for it with therapy and immunosuppressant drugs was more than he bargained for — so he had it amputated last January.

Now, one short year later, he wants to try again. Will he get it? Medical authorities say, "No way."

Pork-chop shoes were really slick

SYDNEY, Australia — "No shoes, no service!" a drunken bar patron was told, so he tied two pork chops to his bare feet to play pool.

His improvised footwear — which he had won in a "meat lottery" at the same bar — has led to a lawsuit by another pub patron, who says he slipped on the grease trail left by the raw-meat moccasins and broke his left arm.

The accident victim is suing the bar for $750,000, charging that the pub should have removed the man because he "was inebriated and clad with pork chops strapped to his feet."

Gramps: 'I'll pay teens to stay virgins'

KEMBLE, England — Four teen girls have been offered $1,400 each by their granddad if they don't live in sin.

Christian Brann says each granddaughter will get the money on her wedding day, if she hasn't first lived with her husband and had sex with him.

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Of the four girls, only one has a

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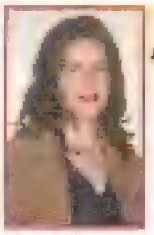

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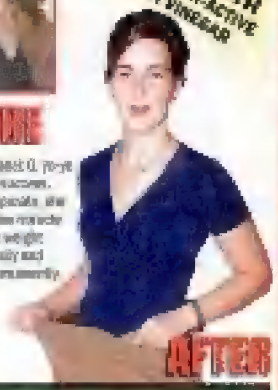

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New superbus powered by human gas

'This bus will save the planet,' says expert!

MINNEAPOLIS — It's a farty party. And you're invited!

Experimental buses that operate on nothing but human gas are up and running in the Twin Cities, as well as in New York, Los Angeles and Washington, D.C.

Energy and transportation officials are closely observing the buses, and say they could make flatulence the fuel of the future.

"This is perhaps the most revolutionary advancement in energy technology since the cold-fusion nuclear reactor," said Dr. Ivana Greggs, director of scientific studies at the Council on Energy Research in Seattle. "It could enable us to finally overcome our dependence on fossil fuels, and to break OPEC's stranglehold on the world's energy supply.

"In short," she declared, "I believe this bus will save the planet!"

DR. GREGGS

The superbus engine was designed by Kurt Kustelson, an alternative-fuels expert based in Minneapolis. He created special seats connected to a network of pipes, to carry riders' emissions back to the bus engine.

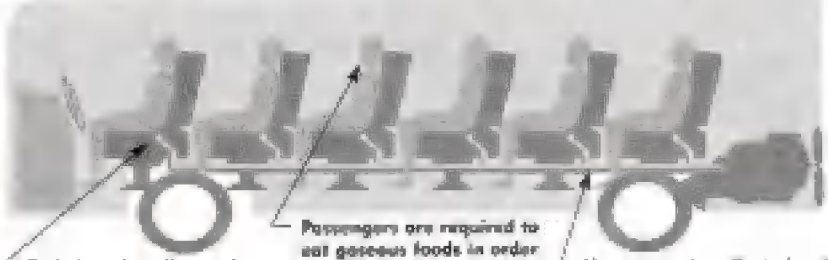
"Human gas makes great fuel," Kustelson said. "It burns cleanly, efficiently. Ever since talk of global warming began, cows have been getting all the attention for methane generation. But humans are gassy too — and there are more of us."

Passengers are being fed refried beans, hot wings, Vienna sausages and salami sticks to help generate fuel.

KURT KUSTELSON

At first, some people were reluctant to ride the bus, said Kustelson. "But I told them, it's one small way to help our country by helping to solve the energy crisis."

"It feels good to know I'm giving something back," said an unidentified passenger.



SUPERBUS is hailed as solution to energy crisis.

Bull in china shop doesn't break a thing!

VALENCIA, Spain — An escaped bull stampeded into a shopping strip and spent 45 minutes rummaging through a china shop — but incredibly, the runaway bovine didn't break a thing!

The shop contained an estimated $1.5 million in valuable antiques — including Ming Dynasty vases dating back hundreds of years, the owner says.

Hector the bull, who was finally corralled by police, any special effort to avoid knocking over the china, say store workers who hid behind counters during the rampage.

"Several times he tipped display cases up on one end and it looked like everything was going to come crashing down, but miraculously, nothing fell," says Sonya Fundamento, the assistant

Dear Dotti

AMERICA'S MOST OUTSPOKEN ADVICE COLUMNIST

Back-stabbing bigshot takes the credit for everything I do!

Dear Dotti: I'm sure other people have the same problem I have, so if you can help me you're helping them at the same time. I'm an assistant to a high-level corporate executive. The problem is, I do most of his work — and all of his hard work — but he takes the credit for it.

I can't count the number of clients I have kept happy by working overtime to straighten out the messes my boss makes. Basically, he's nothing without me. What really gets me riled is that he was just named corporate employee of the year.

And next week they're having a big convention where he's actually going to give a speech telling why he's so successful — and I know he's not going to mention me. I'm so hurt and angry I don't know what to do. If you've got any advice, give it to me fast. — Ready to Kill Him in Meadsville

Dear Ready: The solution to your problem is a plain as the nose on my face. When Mr. Hotshot gets up to give his big speech, pull down his pants!

My brother flashes

big clod. I'm 17, a girl, and he's 19. Whenever I have friends over he has to show off and torture us. He makes stupid jokes and teases us. Sometimes he makes a big point of taking a shower and strutting through the house wrapped in a towel that he opens and closes like a flasher. I tell Mom but she won't do anything about it. How can I get this creep out of my life? — Fuming in Syracuse

Dear Fuming: The next time your brother flashes you, pick up the telephone and call the cops. There's a law against indecent exposure, kid — and this creepoid is breaking it BIG TIME!

If women are the superior sex, why do they cook and clean for us guys?

Dear Dotti: Women are always calling men big oafs and never have anything nice to say about us guys at all. The only thing they ever give us credit for is putting them down or holding them back. Well, I've got a question for you, Miss Pinhead. If women are such hot stuff, why do they all cook, clean and bow down in front of their masters — MEN? — Real Man in Boston

Dear Real Man: I can't speak for the so-called women in your life but I don't play second fiddle to ANYONE. The men I know wait on me hand and foot. And if you and I happened to wind up in the same room, you'd shut your stupid mouth — and wait on me, too!

Garlic-breath beau is driving me stinkers!

Dear Dotti: My boyfriend is a great guy and has always treated me like a queen, but he absolutely adores garlic and sprinkles it on everything he eats. Needless to say, he has breath that would gag a camel. Whenever we kiss I want to throw up. How can I make him see the light? — Grossed Out in Baltimore

Dear Grossed Out: The last man who chowed down on garlic and then tried to kiss me is still having dental work to repair the damage. Since you obviously don't have the guts to make a stand, I suggest you keep your mouth shut — and let "Mr. Garlic Head" walk all over you!

Skinflint hubby gave me a toaster for my birthday!

Dear Dotti: I celebrated my 38th birthday yesterday and thanks to my cheapskate husband, I couldn't be angrier. Believe it or not, the fool gave me a stupid toaster. When I opened the box I actually laughed out loud — thinking it was a joke. But after I looked all around and realized there wasn't a good present, like a diamond bracelet, under the toaster, I was mad enough to spit. I held my tongue — but deep down inside I was livid. What should I do? Should I say something? — Livid in Gunn

Dear Livid: First, return the toaster for cash. Then start wearing super sexy clothes and making all sorts of provocative comments — but don't give Mr. Skinflint any for AT LEAST three months!

I can't figure out why I'm writing this letter

Dear Dotti: Your columns are a joke. So what's your problem? Are you in the throes of PMS 365 days a year? What kind of bitch are you? Are you a demon hiding in a woman's body? You're ugly, ugly, ugly. I'd write a THOUSAND letters to Dear Abby or Ann Landers before I'd write ONE to you! The crappy things you say to people make me sick. You're living in a dream world! — Hate You in Clarion

Dear Hate: You're right about one thing, fish lips — I AM living in a dream world. With an annual salary of $350,000, and incentives for boosting circulation, I'm cooking

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Dear Furious Candy in Clayton: At least your last name isn't Barr!

Dear Leslie in Detroit: Bananas ARE healthy but you have to EAT them to get the benefits.

Dear Bored in San Antonio: There are a lot of good manuals out there — why don't you buy one?

Dear Homemaker in Birmingham: The way to a man's heart is NOT through his stomach and anybody who says so is stupid!

Dear Penny in South Dakota: Your husband is demanding too much. Nine times a week is plenty!

Dear Computer Buff in Slocumb: Say what you like, nerd. My idea of "hardware" is a big, strong man!

Dear Lonely in Woodstock: If you've got the itch, scratch it!

Dear Professor in Richmond: If you're so smart, why aren't you rich?

Dear Dateless in Standard City: Judging from the snapshot you sent, your biggest problems are those big, fishy lips!

Dear Paul in Winston Salem: Frankly, pinhead, I wouldn't take you to a dogfight!

Dear Lovestruck Christian in Syracuse: If you want to take her out THAT bad, tell the preacher to get lost!

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Send Dotti your letters and questions — and let her tell it like

AL GORE

Nationwide search for the former vice president

COPS released this computer-assisted sketch, left, estimating how Al Gore could look with long, scraggly locks and flowing facial hair.

WORRIED INSIDERS say it's as if Al Gore, former vice president to Bill Clinton, vanished off the

MISSING!

MIKE FORSYTH / *Weekly World News*

WASHINGTON — Have you seen Al Gore lately? If so, get on the phone to federal authorities immediately — because they say the former vice president of the United States has gone missing!

"We don't know what's become of him — it's like he's dropped off the face of the Earth," admits a source close to Homeland Security chief Tom Ridge. "We don't know if he's the victim of some kind of international conspiracy, has gone loco or what — and this has us all very concerned.

"Who knows who may disappear next?"

To avoid public panic, until now, authorities have been playing down the politician's absence, giving out the word that the 48-year-old former presidential contender has simply been "doing some teaching and traveling around the country."

But the truth is, authorities don't have a clue where the Democratic bigwig is.

Some investigators suggest that Gore may be suffering from amnesia and could be aimlessly wandering the backwoods of his native Tennessee.

They point to the fact that the once-cleancut Gore has been seen with a long, ratty beard similar to the one sported by millionaire Howard Hughes after he lost his mind. A description from a Tennessee farmer who claims he encountered Gore three weeks ago near Cross Creeks, outside of Dover, appears to back up that theory.

"Mr. Gore looked bewildered, kinda spooked if you ask me," the 61-year-old farmer said. "He was all dirty and disheveled. His fingernails were four to five inches long — and his beard, well, he looked like Rasputin or something."

Law-enforcement officials are now reluctantly beginning to ask for help from the general public. They've quietly started to circulate a police sketch of Gore in parts of the Deep South. But they warn that if Gore has headed into the woods, it may be a long time before he turns up.

"He was in Vietnam so we assume he has survival training," notes a source with the Tennessee State Police. "He may be able to live up in the hill country for months." In some areas, Gore's photo has even been placed on milk cartons with a special number to call if he's spotted.

"All leads or tips will of course remain confidential," said the Department of Homeland Security source. "We just want to get the former vice president home, cleaned up and safe."

MILK CARTONS featuring photos of Gore — with and without his beard — might help find him.

TIPPER GORE is very concerned about her husband, say sources.

HOW YOU CAN HELP FIND AL

You can help authorities find Al Gore!

The former vice president may be lurking right around the corner.

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Tiger's 'big adventure' stuns cops

PICKERING, Ontario — An escaped circus tiger trapped two terrified cops in their own squad car for 30 harrowing minutes before the big cat's trainer lured her away!

After jumping the Siberian cruisers tried to trap the big cat by surrounding her with their cars.

Not to be outdone, she jumped on top of one of them — trapping two cops inside while defying anyone to move her.

called him and told him to "get your big cat off the roof of our squad car so we can get back to work."

"When I arrived," the owner said, "there were 30 cruisers,

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Firing-squad slug lodged in man's neck — for 60 years!

NOVI PAZAR, Bulgaria — A man who survived a Nazi firing squad found the bullet that was meant to kill him lodged in his neck — 60 years later.

"The Germans shot a group of us in 1942 and by a miracle I survived the shooting," said the former World War 2 resistance fighter, now 81.

"I pretended to be dead and the Nazis fell for it. What's even stranger, I didn't even know I had been hit."

A doctor discovered the bullet in the old man's neck during a routine exam, but suggested he leave well enough alone because it's not doing him any harm.

Why more men are doing their own laundry

CHICAGO — Gals who get thrills from showing off their undies in public have figured out a new way of making the pastime look innocent, sociologists say — they're putting their intimate apparel on display at Laundromats!

"Many of these women have functioning washing machines and dryers at home," said a researcher.

"But they deliberately bring their skimpy underwear to public laundries to flaunt the garments."

Goat grabbing game is back!

KABUL, Afghanistan — The ancient game of "goat grabbing" is back in vogue!

Buzkashi, as the game is called locally, was banned after the Taliban took control of the country.

The aim is to snatch a dead goat off the playing field and carry it into a scoring circle before your competitor does.

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AMERICA'S SEXIEST PSYCHIC

Dead sister won't leave me alone!

Dear Serena: My sister and I didn't get along very well when she was alive and the situation has actually gotten worse since she died. Now she comes to me in my dreams and nags me worse than ever. Since she's not physically here, I can't fight back. If something doesn't give, I'll go insane, Serena. Please help. — Desperate in Las Vegas

Dear Desperate: I contacted your dead sister in the hereafter and after a long conversation, she agreed to get off your back. She also wanted you to know that she never meant any harm with her nagging. It's just that she loved you so much that she wanted the best for you — and nagging was her way of making sure you got it!

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Dear Serena: I bought a crystal ball at a yard sale a few weeks ago and have been trying to see the future in it ever since. I know it sounds strange, but all I see is an image of a man and a woman holding cash in their hands. Can you give me any insight? I'm totally confused. — Puzzled in Denver

Dear Puzzled: The man and woman you see are going to make you rich. You'll meet them within the next two weeks and if you are smart, you'll follow their instructions to the letter!

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Dear Serena: My mother passed away earlier last year and I miss her very much. Can you tell me if she is at peace? — Heartbroken in Phoenix

Dear Heartbroken: You know as well as I do that your mother was a convicted murderer. And even though I'd like to tell you otherwise, I must tell you that she is paying for her misdeeds in the hereafter.

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Dear Serena: Does my wife know what I did? I kind of hope she does know, because that makes me think she's letting me off the hook. But if she doesn't know yet, what will she do if she ever does find out? I'm worrying myself to death over this. Can you ease my mind? — Guilty in Pasadena

Dear Guilty: She doesn't know, but there's no way you can keep her from finding out. She's not going to leave you, but she is going to be very angry. Be on your best behavior for a few weeks to get back on her good side — and NEVER again take naked pictures of her while she's asleep.

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Dear Serena: Will my son ever get married? He dates lots of girls, but nothing ever comes of it. He's 35 and I'm wondering if he's going to be a bachelor all his life. — Thoughtful Mother in Wichita

Dear Thoughtful: He will be married November 23 to the girl he's dating now. Don't push him to have a big wedding. If you do, he'll throw a fit and have a private ceremony and not invite any family.

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Dear Serena: I'm sure you already know this, but I'm ugly — real ugly — and it would take a miracle to make me pretty. Unlike some people who don't believe in your powers, Serena, I know absolutely that you can make that miracle happen. It's the only thing that could change my life. Please help me. — Ugly in Miami

Dear Ugly: My spell of beauty can work wonders but it is not without risk. I'll send you complete information — and you can decide for yourself.

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Dear Serena: My precious little kitty cat got out of the house and ran away from home last week. I'm just terrified that something has happened to him. I miss him more than I can tell you. Is my darling little cat O.K., Serena? Even more importantly, will he come back home to me? — Worried Sick in San Antonio

Dear Worried: Your kitten will return to your house in a matter of days. He lost one eye in a fall from a tree, but he's healthy otherwise and will live to a ripe old age!

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Anxious in Tampa: **Your ship is coming in. Expect a lottery win in July.**

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Lost in L.A.: **Relax! Your wallet is wedged between your sofa and the wall.**

Unsure in Durham: **Taking the new job would be a BIG mistake. Stay where you are!**

Vexed in Charleston: **As unlikely as it might seem, a deaf woman will provide the answers you seek before the week is out!**

THIS WEEK'S SIX LUCKIEST LOTTO NUMBERS

Weekly World News has purchased exclusive rights to the world's most powerful computer — and we use it to pick the six luckiest lottery numbers every week!

The Swiss-built computer, called Bright Green, has the ability to calculate which lottery numbers are most likely to come up each week, based on previous performance and established tendencies. The numbers are good for the week Weekly World News is on the newsstand.

The computer scans all numbers selected in lotteries across America over the past year to provide a statistical base for predicting future results. More value is given to the most recently selected numbers.

Using all available data, the computer picks the luckiest numbers

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Fortune Cookie

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What's your sacred message from the Fortune Cookie this week? It's easy and fun to decipher. Here's the key to decoding your message:

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7 Cantaloupe, for one
12 Rancher's charge
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25 Made motionless
27 Banish, expel
28 Multiply by itself
29 Expunges
30 Claim, declare
31 Deliver the news
33 A Caesar
35 Kingdom, realm
36 Surprise
37 Holds dear
38 African plant
41 Revises
43 Break suddenly
45 Valley
46 Actress Davis
47 Russian rulers
50 Made amends
52 The deceased may leave this
54 Has on
56 Key's partner
58 Dry, withered
59 Lyric poems
60 Touched
61 Greek god of love
64 Synagogue scroll
66 Stitched
68 Wise ones
71 Stopping device
72 Wagers
74 Crow's cousin
76 Glide on ice
77 "A — Named Desire"
78 Wanders about
79 Fortune-teller's card
80 Tibet neighbor
81 Dove's message
84 Intentionally so written
85 That thing's
86 Confiscate
88 Smooth fabric
89 Clutch onto
90 Present, as a gift
91 Uses the telephone
92 Humble
94 Small horse
95 More sluggish
98 Simmer
99 Novelist Austen
100 Concealing
104 Uncovered
106 Zeal, fervor
108 " — for the money..."
111 Formally supped
113 Sailboat type
114 Corral
116 Barber's call
118 Main course
120 Putter around
121 Fertilizer
122 Characteristics
124 Shade trees
126 Lima's country
127 Meager
128 Juliet's main squeeze
130 Fast gaits
131 Asian monkey
132 Change, as a tailor
133 In the direction of
134 Roman six
135 Minor dents
138 Portion
140 Make right
142 Doctrine, dogma
145 Imbeciles
147 Stole, pilfered
148 Prophet
149 Ansel Adams' tool
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151 Witches' brew
154 Movie continuation
157 Angry fit
158 License plate
159 Enlist, register (Var)
162 Fencing maneuver
163 Football holder
164 Goes with eggs
167 Mr. Allan Poe
169 Toiled
171 Baker's creation
173 Jack or deuce
176 Held in high regard
179 Paying passenger
180 Conifer
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185 Trade
188 Golfer Couples
190 Chilean range
191 Rituals
192 Short swim
193 Postpaid (Abbr)
195 Riser
196 Perceive
197 Said further
198 "If push comes to — "
200 Protect, secure
202 Stallions' mates
205 Adjust again
207 Social equal
208 Emulate a hummingbird
209 Pieces
210 European ermine
212 Scent
213 Blood fluids
215 Copycat
216 Bargain event
217 Egg-shaped
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226 Work toward
227 Like old doughnuts
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245 Enter (2 wds)
247 Steeple toppers
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253 Make into law
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258 Swamp grasses
259 Mends socks
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2 Exonerates, vindicates
3 Stirs up
4 Mr. Gershwin
5 Shakespeare's nickname
6 Margarine
7 Pleasure craft docks
8 Radiates
9 Before Vegas or Cruces
10 Corrida cheers
11 Snuggle
12 Airplane maneuvers
13 Calling square
14 Building wing
15 Raises
16 Entertains lavishly
18 In this place
19 Chopping tools
20 Mr. VanWinkle
21 Killdeer's cousin
22 Spookiest
24 Oolong and pekoe
26 Editor's mark
28 Actor Caesar
32 Heavy weight
33 King's clown
34 Next-day meals
39 Soaping up
40 Most docile
42 Experienced sailors
44 Minute openings
45 "Star Wars" villain Darth
46 Fence doors
48 Castle, in chess
49 Grate
51 Salamanders
53 Roman robes
54 Makes with a loom
55 Actress Sommer
57 Jackson and Mulgrew
60 Turned to ice
62 Toiled
63 Flower part
65 Warms up
67 Singer Clapton
68 Rats away
69 Wading birds
73 Cereal tiger
75 Plutocrat
79 Big-nosed mammal
82 Portable bed
83 Decorative pitchers
86 Clever
87 Vast age
90 Baseballer George
93 Aches, palpitates
96 Walks in water
97 Actress Moran
101 False god
102 Dunces
103 Refutes, disagrees
105 — of duty
106 New Mexico city
107 Highways
109 Pianist Peter
110 Inspecting
112 "The Farmer in the — "
113 Poet Teasdale
114 Relevant
115 Goes with comfort
117 Even score
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120 Determines
121 Buddy
123 Browned bread
125 House haunter
126 Surfaces a road
128 Angel hair or elbow
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168 College grounds
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169 Nomads
170 Command
171 More adorable
172 King topper
174 Rodent
175 Serious play
177 Sea eagles
178 Courier
179 Quarterback's move
181 Establishes as true
182 Nile or Amazon
183 British elevator
184 Petty quarrel
185 Coronet
187 Mistakes
189 Doe or buck
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194 Sag down
197 Come into view
198 Piece of stock
199 Wish
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209 Utopia
211 Aromatic herb
214 Warped
216 More sharply inclined
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220 Big storm
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230 That fellow's
231 Snake's sound
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Space alien duped WWN

Sirs: UFO expert Barry Neckles is dead wrong. Your February 5 cover story, "I'll Land My UFO On Bourbon Street," is riddled with misinformation. We believe P'Lod does not care about "hooters" or "sexy college girls," as your report stated. It has become quite apparent from our studies here at the institute that P'Lod is some type of hermaphrodite. He exhibits, or at least we believe he exhibits, the organs of both sexes. This may be common among his species and may allow him to better blend into the pan-sexual atmosphere of Mardi Gras and other similar events.

Dr. Hiram W. Bullhuckerst
Institute of Intergalactic Studies
Palo Alto, Calif.

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How I keep MY man from roving

Sirs: Your "9 Surefire Tips to Keep Your Man From Roving," from your January 29 issue, should have been 10 surefire tips. It's amazing what you can do with a little Crazy Glue. Let me just say, he roves no more! Thanks for the other nine tips, though.

Monica Pielstrock
Ocala, Fla.

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Stop! You are under a-breast!

Sirs: I believe I was misquoted in your recent investigative piece, "Big Bust in Tinsletown." For the record, I represent dozens upon dozens of actresses in Hollywood. I can assure you that none of them have the illegal silicone breast implants. Almost all have the federally approved saline-filled breast implants. In fact, a few of my clients have natural God-given breasts. Unfortunately, they don't get work as often as the others.

David DeVincentis
DeVincentis Talent Agency
Beverly Hills, Calif.

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Chia seed miracles never cease

Sirs: Regarding your recent report headlined, "Chia Seed Cure for Baldness," Chia seeds work to grow facial hair as well. Just thought you would like to know.

Donna Klingsmore
Bellett, S.D.

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You gotta believe I'm telling the whole tooth

Sirs: I found your story about the world's most unconventional dentist (WWN, February 5), Dr. Keilstein, very informative. I, too, am allergic to novocaine. My dentist in New Jersey studied with Dr. Keilstein and believes strongly in his methods. As a former carpenter, my dentist uses his old skills very effectively. He uses a ball-peen hammer instead of novocaine. While this may seem rather odd to your readership, I can assure you that it is very effective and provides none of the "hangover" effect that I received from the novocaine.

Denny Krunwitz
Asbury Park, N.J.

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Siamese twin 'love connection' is old hat, says shrink

Sirs: FYI. Regarding "Bigamist Weds Siamese Twins In Bizarre Love Triangle," it should be noted that the original Siamese twins, from Siam, married two sisters. They all lived happily until Chang, the friskier of the two twins, was caught cheating with his brother's wife, Celeste. Later, as reported in the *Asian Times* in December of 1922, the foursome attended a type of couples therapy that was extremely effective and ahead of its time. Dr. Chonra Chin of the Shanghai Psychology School reported all this in his memoirs. Chang, who died at the age of 54, never cheated on his wife again. His brother Eng did the right thing after his death by marrying his widow. Unfortunately for Eng, he was arrested for bigamy by Chinese authorities in 1934.

Dr. Kimoto Dragune
Shanghai Psychology School
Shanghai, China

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Yippee! I found the cursed nickel . . .

Sirs: I found it! I found the evil nickel — the one you said the U.S. Treasury is trying to get out of circulation before it kills again. Thank God we know where it is. Please contact me immedia- aaaraggshhh.uh . . .

There's always more fun in *Weekly World News!*

Funeral clowns — A REAL PICK-ME-UP!

LOS ANGELES — Professional clowns are putting the fun back in funerals.

In a new trend, families are arranging for teams of big-shoed pranksters to give the dear de-

cheery note with such antics as popping out of a coffin one after another and slipping on banana peels while serving as

than anything else, mourners desperately need to be cheered up," explained a Los Angeles funeral director who offers clown services as an option. "And who can put a smile

POLITICALLY CORRECT!

WASHINGTON — In what conservatives are calling an example of political correctness gone out of control, federal regulators have banned all future use of the term "Indian giver" in government publications.

Native Americans, who have been fighting to outlaw the phrase for decades, hailed

Group squawks over 'mean' chicken ad

ANAHEIM, Calif. — An animal-rights group is squawking about a TV ad — saying it's mean to chickens!

The ad for Carl's Jr. restaurants "portrays chickens in a degrading and demeaning manner," said United Poultry Concerns, which promotes "the compassionate and respectful treatment of domestic fowl."

The ad indirectly ridicules Chicken McNuggets sold by fast-food giant McDonald's.

It shows several men poking and prodding a live chicken in an unsuccessful search for "nuggets."

A spokesman for the restaurant chain said the American Humane Association found no harm had been done to the bird in the ad.

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UFO investigator Danielle Saybeck

FBI INTERRO

WASHINGTON — The FBI grilled a 2,000-year-old space alien for three days in 1958 — but kept his earthshaking revelations a secret from the public, a researcher claims.

By KAYE ROSEBURG
Weekly World News

After a fierce six-year court battle, UFO investigator Danielle Saybeck obtained a transcript of the eye-opening interview through the Freedom of Information Act.

"The alien spills his guts — he tells everything from why the aliens are here to what's really beneath the pyramids," says the D.C.-based Miss Saybeck, who is writing a book.

"He's apparently the aliens' No. 1. guy. He's over 2,000 years old and has been on Earth since the time of Christ — he and Jesus even traded ideas about religion."

Miss Saybeck has also obtained a remarkable FBI file photo of the wizened, wrinkly E.T.

The bureau conducted the interview after capturing the elderly alien in Death Valley.

"FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover's concern was that the aliens might be spreading communism," reveals Miss Saybeck.

J. EDGAR HOOVER

"But after hearing tapes of the interrogation, Hoover let the alien go. He ordered the transcripts 'deep-sixed' because he believed that if the results were ever made public, it would turn our society upside down."

Here, from the researcher, are some of the E.T.'s mind-bending revelations:

● **SPACE ALIENS ABDUCT HUMANS JUST FOR FUN** — Kidnapping humans, especially for sex, is strictly forbidden, but "a few bad apples do it out of boredom and for fun," the alien admitted.

● **HUMANS ARE AS INSIGNIFICANT AS INSECTS TO SPACE ALIENS** — "We protect you because that is our directive," the alien told the FBI. "Otherwise you would be eaten."

● **HUMANS HIGH-TAILED IT TO EARTH FROM MARS** — Cavemen were Martian settlers who underwent genetic engineering to adapt to Earth. "They abhorred technology and lifestyle," the alien told the FBI. "It was a back-to-nature movement."

● **ATLANTIS WAS ON THE RED PLANET** — Atlantis was actually a great Martian civilization that collapsed after pollution made the planet's environment go haywire.

● **MARTIANS COLONIZED DEEP SPACE** — They fled their dying homeworld, leaving only a few monuments such as the Face on Mars as proof it was ever inhabited.

● **THE UNIVERSE IS A MERE 12,000 YEARS OLD** — Both the Creationists and Big Bang believers are right. "The universe began 12,000 Earth years ago with Creator's word," said the space alien. "She will reveal more to you in the afterlife."

● **THE PYRAMIDS WERE BUILT AS MANHOLE COVERS** — The original rulers of Earth were evil, insect-like creatures, and aliens built the pyramids to trap them in their holes. "If the pyramids are ever moved, the Old Ones will be unleashed," the alien warned.

● **THE ALIENS ARE HERE AS GUARDIANS** — Exactly 100 at a time serve on Earth.

● **E.T.s GAVE US THE A-BOMB** — Benevolent aliens helped the Allies throughout World War 2 — and gave Harry Truman the bomb we used to lick Japan.

● **ALIEN IMPLANTS ARE TINY ROBOTS** — Every human has one. They fight clogged arteries and other health woes — and prevent reversion to our

Heads up!

Talk about your impossible poses! Spain's Caroline Rodriguez bends over backward to impress judges at the World Rhythmic

Ben Franklin's wity plan to wipe out werewolves

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Early inventor Benjamin Franklin suggested blowing up the moon way back in 1772 — to save werewolves!

The brainiest of our Founding Fathers made the way-out proposal in a letter to King George III, historians say.

"If we prevent the occurrence of a full moon, we shall forever solve the problem of lycanthropy," the ahead-of-his-time thinker wrote.

Franklin believed that all the

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By JUSTIN MITCHELL
Weekly World News

DUBLIN, Ireland — Lying to your parents will not only improve your social life, says a renowned psychologist. It will actually keep them alive!

Lying protects old people like your parents from stress-induced health problems such as heart disease and stroke, says Dr. Malcolm Guinness, founder of the Institute of Human Studies.

His findings on children's falsehoods are the latest in a series of groundbreaking reports on the health benefits of lying.

"Our studies show that raising children is among the most stressful jobs any human being will ever have," Guinness explains. "The only other activities we found that can cause more strain are being a towel boy in a Turkish prison or cleaning portable toilets after a monster truck rally.

"Parents are better able to cope with such stress if they believe their children are behaving themselves and getting good grades," Guinness says.

. . . the truth would give them a heart attack!

"One couple we studied collapsed and died within hours of learning that their cherished daughter was not 'spending the night with a friend' but instead was shacking up with her boyfriend at various motels."

Guinness says that to preserve a family's stability, parents should encourage their offspring to lie to them as often as possible. Most parents already do that, he says.

"That's what they were doing when you were a small child and they asked you dumb questions like, 'Did you fingerpaint all over the new wallpaper?' Of course they knew you did it. Who else could it have been? By helping you to fib as a small child, they were simply training you to tell the really big lies later on."

MOST BABIES PRAY IN THE WOMB!

LONDON — Unborn children begin to pray as early as three months after conception, a groundbreaking new scientific study proves.

Ultrasound images of 36 developing fetuses showed that 24 adopted a classic prayer pose with hands clasped and head bowed at least once during the pregnancy, according to the scientists. Some even appeared to "kneel" on the uterus.

"We've long known that babies suck their fingers in the womb and dream in the womb, so this doesn't come as a complete surprise," notes Dr. Neville Grundale, a prenatal-care specialist who led the study.

TOP 10 LIES KIDS TELL THEIR PARENTS

Here, according to Dr. Guinness, are the most effective lies children can use to keep their parents from keeling over:

10. I don't know how a motel room got on your credit card!

9. We're going to the PG-rated movie.

8. I found that dent in the car when I came out of the store.

7. Some of my friends have tried it, but I won't.

6. I thought they were candy cigarettes.

5. The condoms are for a science project.

4. Don't worry, Mom. We're just friends.

3. Wasn't me — Ryan did it!

2. My teacher didn't assign any homework.

1. Joe's/Jennifer's parents will be at the party, and they don't let anyone drink.

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Bin Laden exposed — in Australia!

By MIKE FOSTER
Weekly World News

OSAMA SPOTTED ON NUDE BEACH

Now we know why they call him 'Tiny'

SYDNEY, Australia — Hunted fugitive Osama bin Laden may be the Mr. Big of terrorism, but sometimes he comes up short — as stunned eyewitnesses learned when they saw him letting it all hang out at a nude beach!

Just days ago, an amateur photographer snapped eye-popping shots of buck-naked bin Laden as he sunned himself on clothing-optional Cobbler's Beach in Australia.

"You really needed a magnifying glass to see the poor bloke's equipment," says Larry Tinfield, who took the photos. "And since he's so tall, about 6-foot-5, that made it looked even smaller."

Incredibly, CIA analysts have confirmed the authenticity of the Down Under snapshots — and think they know why the terrorist leader chose to hide out on the obscure beach.

"Bin Laden's fanatical devotion to Islam and its ultrastrict dress code is well known — he knew the last place we'd ever look for him would be a nude beach thousands of miles from Afghanistan," explains a CIA operative who was dispatched to the site.

"But it really must have eaten his heart out to be on display in such a 'sinful' manner."

Tinfield, 28, says he was taking a picture of his girlfriend on the beach when she remarked that a bearded man about 60 feet away looked "a bit like bin Laden."

"I told her she was being silly, but when I turned around, sure enough, it was him," says Tinfield.

"He was surrounded by a bunch of young Arab men who seemed to be his aides. From time to time they'd come over and rub sunblock on his back.

"I grabbed my telephoto lens and got a quick shot of him lying there on the blanket.

"Then I saw him get up from the towel and start walking quickly away, and I knew this would be THE shot. I was able to get his naked bottom just before he got out of range."

The CIA, which is following up the bizarre new lead, says that the experience may only have served to heighten bottom-baring bin Laden's intense hatred of Westerners.

"Bin Laden's ego is big, at least," says the CIA source. "I'm quite sure he didn't like having his shortcomings publicly exposed."

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How to avoid looking like a fool at your best friend's funeral!

LOS ANGELES — Depending on how you handle yourself, serving as a pallbearer can be a wonderful way to honor a loved one — or an opportunity to look like a bumbling, insensitive buffoon.

By KAYE ROSEBURG
Weekly World News

Here, from etiquette experts and funeral-home directors, are some do's and don'ts for pallbearer behavior:

DO dress in a simple black suit or dress, the more conservative, the better.

DON'T wear flashy red miniskirts, garish Hawaiian shirts or T-shirts of the deceased's favorite rock band.

However much you may think the dear departed would have loved the upbeat gesture, some mourners may see it as a sign that your are gleeful over the person's passing.

DO follow the directions of the preacher and funeral director. Make sure you understand precisely what your duties entail before the ceremony begins.

DON'T try to "wing it" or engage in slapstick-type be-

DO remain quiet until asked to perform your duties.

DON'T hum or sing "Pray for the dead and the dead will pray for you," even at a low volume and to yourself. Don't whistle, either.

DO mingle with fellow mourners. Thank them for coming and express your condolences to family members.

DON'T hit on attractive relatives of the deceased, regardless of how sexy they are. In particular, never make a play for the widow.

DO take long, deep breaths to steady your nerves before picking up the coffin.

DO walk slowly and steadily, matching the gait of the other pallbearers as you carry the casket.

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NEW YORK — If you think the opera is a bunch of fat people caterwauling in foreign languages to an audience of overdressed snobs, well, you'd be mostly right.

But if you'd like to join the fun and figure out what all the "libretto" — that's opera for "story" — is about, here are some tips.

By JUSTIN MITCHELL
Weekly World News

1. Don't be fooled by preconceptions that opera is boring. Consider the following sizzling plots: Carmen is basically about a gorgeous, knife-wielding gypsy harlot who plays two men — an army lieutenant and a bullfighter — against each other and winds up getting stabbed to death for her wicked ways.

Semiramide has a wicked queen attempting to seduce her son until the ghost of her husband bursts from his tomb to straighten things out and the incestuous queen is brutally stabbed to death.

2. Start out slowly, with classics like Carmen. Avoid anything by Wagner — at least at the beginning.

The plots are mostly incomprehensible and his Ring Cycle takes about three days to watch. You'd have a better time and blow less money in Las Vegas.

3. When you finally decide to go to an opera make sure it has "supertitles."

Those are "subtitles" except they're bigger and since most operas are in foreign languages, it helps to figure out what's going on.

Take "opera glasses" too. That's also opera talk for "binoculars." The ones you use at the ball games or the AC/DC concerts are fine.

GIANT SEA MONKEY SPOTTED IN S.C. SURF

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. — Hundreds of rock solid eyewitnesses can't be wrong — a giant Sea Monkey rose up out of the surf and bellowed like "an angry bull" before diving back under the water and swimming away.

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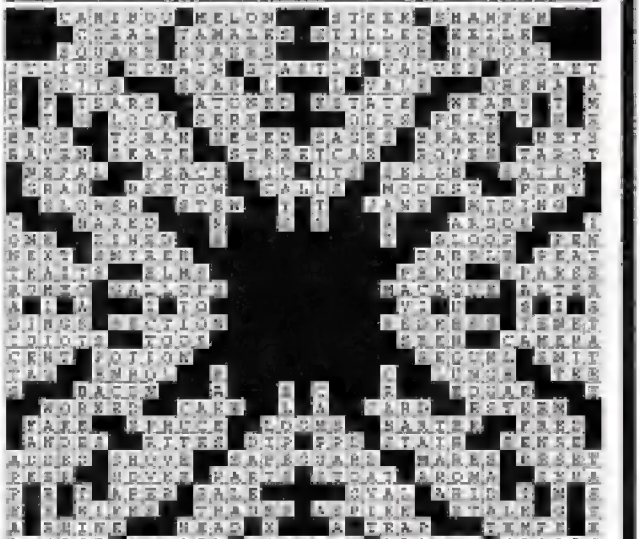

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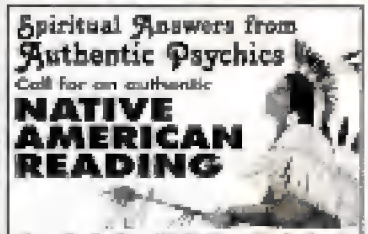

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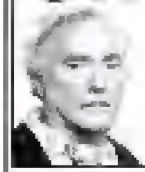

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Mar. 21 – Apr. 19

Your luck is about to improve dramatically and you can make the best of your coming good fortune by taking some calculated risks this week.

Consider a large lottery purchase or betting on a long shot.

Objects may be closer than they appear. An opportunity to settle a long-running dispute may arise. Be sure you have witnesses.

TAURUS
Apr. 20 – May 20

An apparent golden opportunity may arise this week, but you would be wise to proceed with caution unless you check with an attorney.

A commitment made quickly could come back to haunt you.

Your strength and stability might be vital when an unstable stranger seeks advice. Be a sympathetic listener, but keep advice and hands to yourself.

GEMINI
May 21 – June 20

You are objective by nature, so use this as a means of achieving your goals without getting sidetracked this week. Even if you're tempted, don't jump.

Those who can make a difference in your career are keeping an eye on your willingness to perform.

Put aside all chores. If he or she has the money, you've got the time.

CANCER
June 21 – July 22

Manage financial affairs carefully this week. An opportunity may present itself and you'll want to be in a solid position to super-size your order.

A meeting with a stranger may prove to have a great impact on your future relationship with the law.

Travel may pose problems for family life. Check your truck and backseat before embarking.

LEO
July 23 – Aug. 22

You're hearing voices in your head for a reason. Your tendency to go full speed constantly may endanger your license.

Keep after your goal but try to lower your intensity this week.

Have you been ignoring loved ones lately? If so, this weekend would be a great time to do something with family, pals or your pet.

Avoid root vegetables.

VIRGO
Aug. 23 – Sept. 22

Your life may have seemed to be in the doldrums lately, but get ready, a period of activity and opportunity starts this week.

Be prepared to take advantage of others misfortune.

Being a hard, steady worker, but not flashy, might get you overlooked, but don't worry if you're caught flat-footed at the coffeemaker. Just remember the slow, steady tortoise gets creamed.

LIBRA
Sept. 23 – Oct. 22

This is a good week to show the world what you're made of.

Your creativity is at an all-time high, so begin encouraging your fixation with celebrities. Trust your instincts.

A friend may want you to help him celebrate a happy event in his life. Have fun, but let him pick up the tab.

A change in scenery — like another planet — would do you good.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23 – Nov. 21

You may feel the urge to get away this week, so do so but watch the speed limits.

Frivolity could put you in a dangerous situation, but you've gone through worse so indulge yourself.

Someone who's caused you problems in the past could return with an "opportunity." Ignore it unless the words "pyramid scheme" mean nothing to you.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22 – Dec. 21

You will have contact with foreigners or strangers this week. Proceed cautiously and use your suspicions to avoid them if necessary. With care you may benefit from this contact.

This is an especially creative period for you, so give rein to your artistic side.

You would do well to sign up for mime lessons or by decoupaging your wastebaskets.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22 – Jan. 19

Ignore defeatists and pessimists for the next few days. They don't know that you possess "super powers."

Focus on a nagging family problem and exist him if necessary.

This is an excellent week to pursue a change in your clothes or breakfast cereal.

A friend may contact you soon with a mixed message. Ignore it.

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20 – Feb. 18

It bothers you when others don't react to certain situations as you expect. Better get used to that because you're not going to change them.

Some of your untapped talents are going to waste because not enough people appreciate clog dancing or your way with small, furry animals. Combine the two.

Romance or a reasonable facsimile is yours.

PISCES
Feb. 19 – Mar. 20

An old friend may contact you this week with an offer that could allegedly change your life. Feign interest then forget about it unless it involves the color orange and the letters "W" and "L." Start planning today for a vacation. Further delays could cost you money and your freedom. Make arrangements and travel by bus at night on a Thursday.

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If your birthday is this week . . .The year ahead finds you at the crossroads in romance and on the job. Trust your instincts and don't

Your financial situation seems to be on the upswing, so you can use it to impress that certain someone. Ignore age differences.

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Now he's on the lam in South America!

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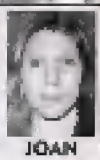

JOAN RYAN

Weekly World News correspondent Joan Ryan has joined Donna Santos, Dallas Smith, Nick Monn, Ros Wolfe, Sandra Lee and a crack team of 29 other reporters and photographers to keep you abreast of Bat Boy's expanding role in the war against terrorism and international politics in general.

If you want the latest word on Bat Boy, there's only one place to get it — right here in WEEKLY

ES TERRORISTS

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — The elusive Bat Boy has escaped from the clutches of vengeance-crazed Al Qaeda terrorists with the help of South American bandits — the very same motley crew who turned him in for a whopping $50 million reward!

He and his bandit buddies have evenly split the proceeds of what now appears to have been a "cunningly orchestrated sting," confirm U.S. State Department insiders.

And the bighearted half-bat, half-human mutant is lavishly distributing his half of the cash across strife-torn Argentina, going from village to village like Santa Claus.

"Bat Boy is being worshiped as a god by the Argentineans," says a U.S. Embassy source.

The good news comes just days after Al Qaeda operatives boasted that Bat Boy had been kidnapped by bandits and turned over to Al Qaeda while on a goodwill mission to Argentina. The terrorists announced plans to put the tiny U.S. Marine on trial for "war crimes" committed in Afghanistan, as *Weekly World News* reported last week.

They forked over a $50 million reward to the bandits — but it turns out they were ripped off.

"Our information is still sketchy, but from what we've been able to gather, Bat Boy and the bandits were in it together from the get-go," reveals the Embassy source.

"The little guy persuaded them to stuff him in a canvas bag and turn him over to Al Qaeda. Later that night, the bandits snuck into the cave where Bat Boy was being held and switched bags.

The fact that Bat Boy could so easily deal with the Argentine bandits — considered the most dangerous, dirty and treacherous in all of South America — has mightily impressed the people of Argentina and is one of the reasons he is now so revered.

But it comes as no surprise to a top professor of South American folklore.

"No doubt, as soon as the bandits saw Bat Boy, they noticed his resemblance to the ancient Mayan bat god Camazotz, ruler of the underworld," says Dr. Diego Martinez.

"They fell down on their knees and

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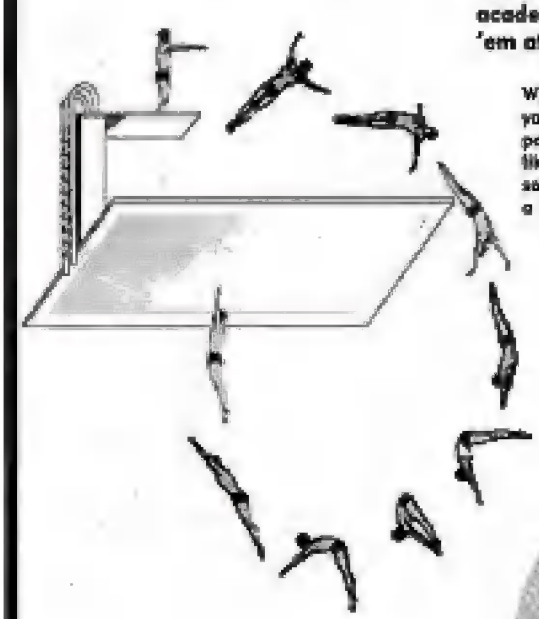
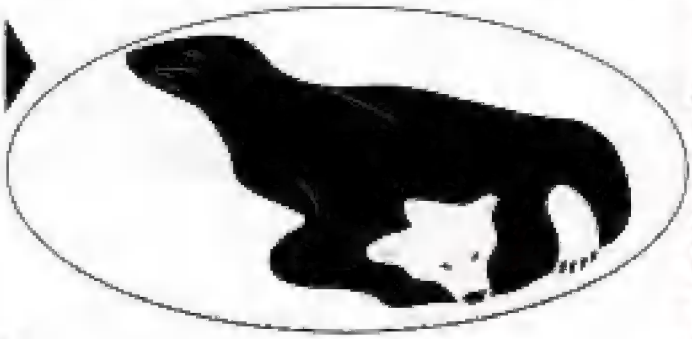


This pool appears to be right out of "Bizarre World." Turn the page as you follow this diver. You'll follow him right into the water.

What is the first thing that you see here? If you said a polar bear, you're more likely to be a leader. If you said a seal, you're probably a follower.



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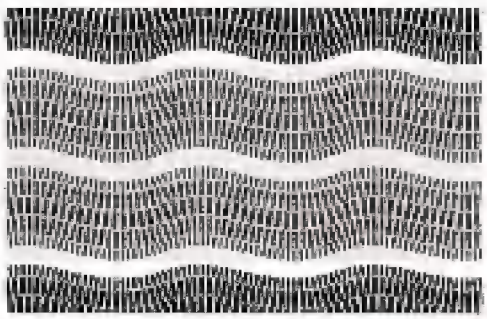
Here's an illusion to shake things up! Stare at the curvy lines below. You'll soon see the grey lines start to vibrate and blink.



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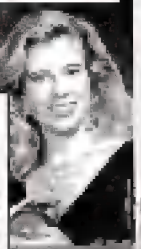

You can play Sonora's Magic Tarot Cards, too! Just turn to Page 39 and pick a

Card No. 3: Ace of Wands
FRESH START

Love: You are or very soon will be in an easy-going, balanced relationship. Harmony and contentment are your rewards for past kindness and patience.

Money: In order to make ends meet, you may need to take a second job. The best advice for now is not to "put all your eggs in one basket." Diversity is the key word for investors.

Health: Good reports from medical tests will put your mind at ease. If you've been dieting, expect to see

Card No. 5: Temperance
MODERATION/BALANCE

Love: You'll meet someone new, at work or through a co-worker, who'll be quite different from your usual pick. A solid relationship is about to be improved.

Money: Your best financial course of action at this time is moderation. You'll have plenty for all the necessities, but wait until next month to buy a luxury item. If house-hunting, look near water.

Health: Trying to keep too many balls in the air at once is starting to get to you. Try

Card No. 1: 2 of Pentacles
JUGGLING

Love: The time has come to bury the past and let your heart be healed by love. Your next relationship will be easier. If your relationship has been under stress, it's now possible to repair the damage.

Money: An opportunity for a brand-new source of income is about to present itself. This could be an offer to invest or change jobs, but it more likely involves self-employment.

Health: A need for more fluids is indicated. Remember to drink plenty of water

Card No. 2: Page of Cups
WELCOME MESSAGE

Love: Expect a letter, e-mail or phone call from an admirer. You probably know who this is. If married, surprise your spouse with a love letter and enjoy the response you get.

Money: Stop kicking yourself for past mistakes and make a new financial plan. Your checkbook balance will increase over the next six months.

Health: There's an improvement in your health and well-being triggered by a change in your attitude

Card No. 4: 4 of Swords
REST/HEALING

Love: There are two love interests in your life and, up to now, you've been able to cope. Be aware that you'll soon be forced to choose your favorite or risk losing them both.

Money: If you've been waiting to hear about a promotion, new job or approval on a bank loan, the good news should reach you by next week.

Health: Be thankful to the protective angels around you. True healing and recuperation is about to begin, but for

It's gonna be easy to clone Socrates

ATHENS — The farseeing ancient Greek philosopher Socrates was not only the most brilliant thinker of his time, he also predicted the advent of cloning — and prepared for the breakthrough by having a tissue sample preserved in a sealed jar, researchers have discovered.

And now, scientists say, it may be possible to actually use the cells to clone Socrates and bring back history's most gifted mind.

"Socrates extracted a sample of his own skin shortly before committing suicide in 399 B.C.," says Dr. Alexander Karkayiannis.

"Remarkably, more than 2,400 years ago, he foresaw what would be possible in our time."

Bad monkeys get life without parole

PATIALA, India — Monkeys here can be so dangerous, the country throws them in prison. And 11 of them are likely to be locked up for life.

The simian slammer houses monkeys apprehended by game wardens for crimes including robbing and assaulting humans. Two monkeys were released a year ago for good behavior, and have remained out of trouble.

But the jail's warden said the remaining inmates are too wild: "All 11 monkeys are hard cases. It's unlikely that any of them will ever be paroled."

Cops jail janitor with a foot fetish

WELLINGBOROUGH, England — A foot-crazy janitor pleaded guilty to charges related to his making more than 60 phone calls to women and asking them about their feet.

Identifying himself as "Michael Foot," the obsessed fetishist made calls to 19 women who were selling horses through a hunting magazine. After pretending to be a buyer, he would steer the conversation around to the women's feet. "Foot" asked the women what size shoes they wore, if their feet gave them trouble and even what they smelled like.

The sicko was finally caught because one of the women had a caller-ID device on her phone, which police used to trace his address. He was charged with harassment and lewd behavior.

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Weekly World News

● What's special about this American flag other than the fact that it flies on the moon? It's the only flag that is flown day and night, never goes up or comes down, never flies at half-staff and does not get saluted!

WASHINGTON — There are 293 different ways to make change for a dollar. The superpowers have lost 92 nuclear bombs, missiles and warheads in the world's oceans. And Walt Disney World has stockpiled an amazing 2.5 million costumes — that's 45 colorful suits for each of its 55,000 performers.

That's just a sample of the dazzling trivia editors and reporters at *Weekly World News* have unearthed while researching and writing the terrific stories you read in our paper every week. Here's more:

● Prince Charles never travels on the same plane with his sons, Harry and William — a crash could obliterate the first three heirs to the throne!

● Bell Telephone bigwigs disconnected every customer in the United States and Canada for a full minute to honor founding genius Alexander Graham Bell after he died in 1922.

● Members of some cannibal tribes consider it an honor to be killed and eaten by fellow tribesmen. There's even a name for these accommodating people — "indocannibals."

● A whopping 35 earthquakes are known to happen around the world every day — but that's just a fraction of the actual number. The U.S. Geological Survey detects and counts only 12,000 to 14,000 quakes each year, and guesses that several million are undetected.

● A typical box of Animal Crackers has 18 different animal "cookie zoo."

● The last human to set foot on the moon was U.S. astronaut Eugene A. Cernan, commander of the Apollo 17 mission of December 1972.

● The legendary designer Gabrielle "Coco" Chanel gave both her name and her luck to Chanel No. 5, the fragrance she created in 1921. Five was her lucky number, and she introduced the scent on May 5, the fifth day of the fifth month of the year.

● Before their showbiz careers took off, singer/actor Kris Kristofferson and *Star Trek* mastermind Gene Roddenberry earned their living as airplane pilots.

● Napoleon, the bad-boy emperor of France, was not so fearless after all. Turns out he had ailurophobia — fear of kittens!

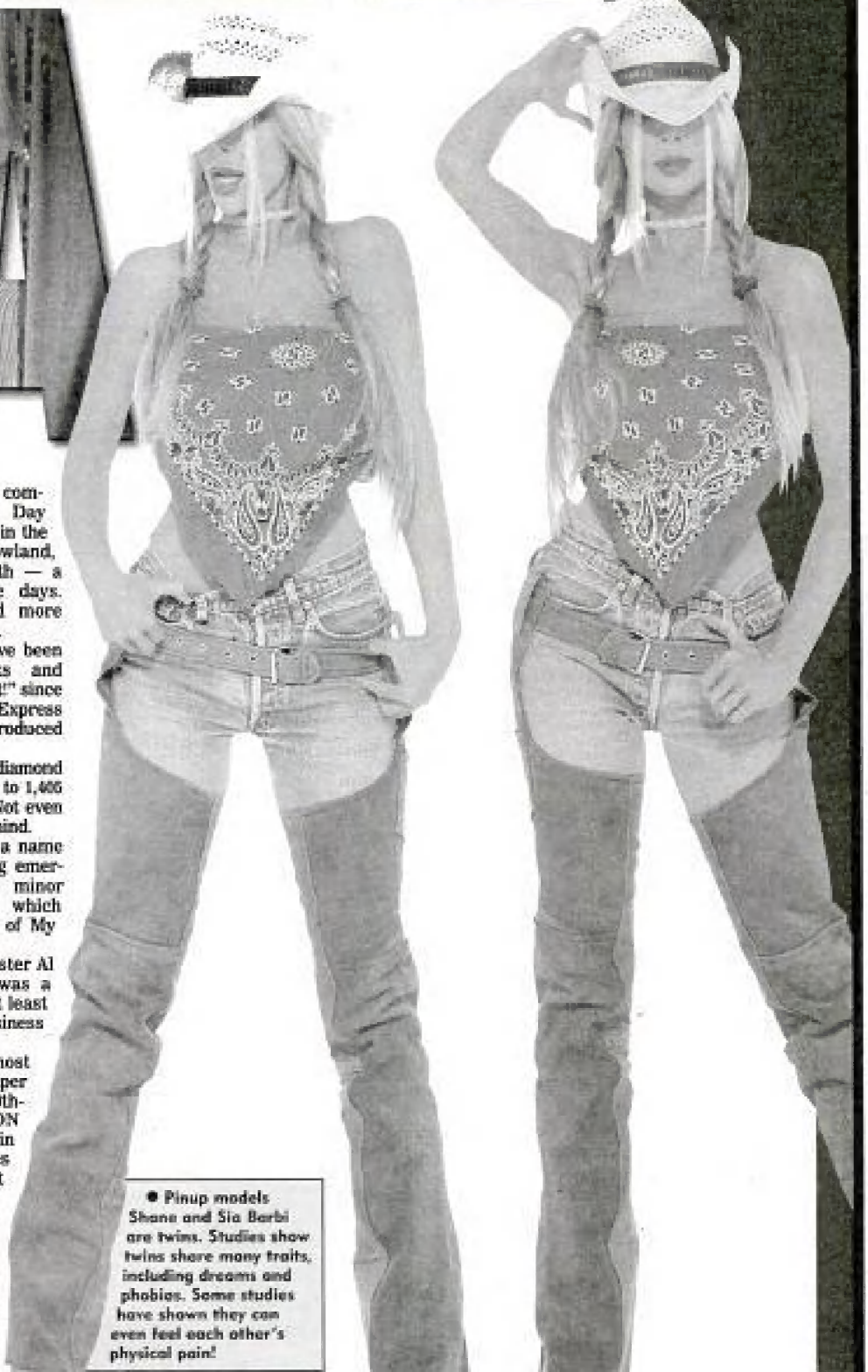
● It's not the red in the cape that infuriates a bull t make it charge. It's the way the matador flashes the cape

● Richard Nixon was the only person to serve twice as Vice President and twice as President — a job which he then became the first person to quit.

● Some bullfrogs play dead when captured — but just long enough to be let

● In the 20 James Bond movies starring five different 007s, Bond ordered 25 martinis, was told he would die 33 times, and made love 79 times. Of the 58 Bond girls, 29 were brunettes, 25 were blondes, and four were redheads. Women mooned

– this and more fascinating . . .



● Absolutely nothing at all happened in the 11 days of September 3-13, 1752. That's because much of the world was converting to the new Gregorian calendar, which was 11 days behind the old Julian calendar. So the day after September 2 became September 14, with that 11-day gap in between!

● Looking to get an extra jolt of caffeine by gulping espresso? Sorry, Juan Valdez, but you won't. A cup of espresso has 80 mg. of caffeine, which is a puny portion next to the 115 mg. in drip-brewed.

● The British royal family's last name is Windsor, but it used to be the Germanic name Saxe-Coburg-Gotha. King George V changed it in 1917 to protest Germany's role in World War I.

● The first casualty of the Allies' World War II bombing of Berlin was the elephant in the city zoo.

● America's first commercial Valentine's Day cards were produced in the 1840s by Esther Howland, who sold $5,000 worth — a huge take in those days. Today's lovers send more than 1 billion of them!.

● Consumers have been telling sales clerks and cashiers to "charge it!" since 1950, when American Express and Diners Club introduced the charge card.

● You can make a diamond "vanish" by heating it to 1,405 degrees Fahrenheit. Not even any ash will be left behind.

● Hospitals have a name for someone seeking emergency care for a minor complaint: GOMER, which stands for Get Out of My Emergency Room.

● Notorious gangster Al "Scarface" Capone was a furniture dealer — at least according to his business card.

● The world's most hard-to-read newspaper may have been the 19th-century BOSTON NATION, published in Ohio. With pages seven-and-a-half feet long and five-and-a-half feet wide, it took two people to hold it open.

● Depending on the combination of coins you have, there are 293 different ways to make change.

● Pinup models Shane and Sia Barbi are twins. Studies show twins share many traits, including dreams and phobias. Some studies have shown they can even feel each other's physical pain!

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